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For : OPTICAL ELEMENT RETRACTING MECHANISM FOR A  
RETRACTABLE LENS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir :

Prior to examination of the above-noted application, the Examiner is respectfully  
requested to enter the present Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page **2** of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page **13** of this Amendment.